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2. The transport consisted of approximately twenty-five railroad cars, which had been standing on a siding between Sachsenhausen and Oranienburg (Z67). The journey, reported to end at Kiev, was expected to take four weeks. Soviet guards were provided with a large food supply.
3. The Sachsenhausen camp is to be closed by 15 March, after the deportation of all prisoners accused of major political crimes and the release of those regarded as insignificant. The barracks have been sold to German firms and individuals, and most of the buildings have already been dismantled. These transactions were handled by the Oranienburg Komendatura.
4. With the exception of 100 Komendatura personnel, all Soviet troops are to be withdrawn from Oranienburg by 15 March. Administrative offices have already been vacated, and some units and their dependents have departed.

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